



Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

On Wednesday, our annual Mark Pollard Cup, AKA staff versus Year 6 football match, took place amidst a huge amount of anticipation. The Year 6 team have been playing exceptionally well this year and I'm not afraid to say that we staff felt mildly more concerned than normal. Happily though, the staff team were victorious once more, in spite of my short stint in goal during which I generously let several fly in. Congratulations to all involved and a massive **thank you** to **Mark Pollard** who first created the event some seven years ago. As you know, Mark leaves Penpol next week but the Mark Pollard Cup will live on!



Last night saw the final evening performance of **Year 6's show The World Is Your Oyster**. These remarkable children have done an incredible job of creating a full live performance in a matter of weeks. Their singing, dancing, acting and storytelling has been thoroughly enjoyed by all and is testament to the fact that these sixty young people are as creative, unique and bold as they come. Congratulations and many thanks to all involved.



During the year, we have been delighted to offer **Forest School Stay and Play** sessions to pre-school aged children and their grown-ups. It was particularly impressive this week to see a good-sized group of attendees despite the downpours! Much fun was enjoyed by all. Our final session of the year is **next Monday at 10am**.



Our new Reception pupils visited on Tuesday afternoon and settled in marvellously. Welcome to Penpol one and all! Existing pupils will be enjoying a **transition day next Wednesday**, during which they will visit their new classrooms and teachers in the afternoon. **Please drop your child off in their current class and collect them from their new class at the end of the day.** Thank you!



Yesterday saw our rescheduled **Reception Sports Day**. Each and every child challenged themselves and had great fun with sport and we could not be more proud of them.

Thank you to all the parents, guardians and family members able to join us on the day, helping to create an exciting atmosphere for the children.



Don't forget – if you are looking for **active activities during the summer**, there are still spaces on many Time2Move clubs across the area. You can learn more by clicking here: <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/time2move-holiday-programme/>

Hayle Library is open throughout the summer, hosting this year's **Summer Reading Challenge – Ready, Set, Read**. Head over to the link below to find out more and to sign up!  
<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>



If you find yourself **needing support over the summer**, please don't struggle in silence. The vast majority of health, care and support services continue to run as normal. If you are not able to access the support you need, my email (below) will be monitored throughout the holidays. Please do get in touch.

Finally, a reminder that we do finish earlier **next Friday at 2pm**. The gates will open at around 1:50pm. Unfortunately, we are not able to offer after school club on Friday. Thank you for your support.

Best wishes for a restful weekend.

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